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Middle East

AMERICA'S newly awakened concern over developments in the Middle East reflects the seriousness of the situation; it may also have a moderating effect on the hotbeds in Egypt, Israel, Syria, Jordan and Saudi Arabia.

President Eisenhower's declaration that the United States is determined to support any nation which might be subjected to aggression, though perhaps tardy in its timing, is a welcome assurance that the US does not intend to stand on the sidelines merely as a detached observer of the Israel-Arab dispute.

By the same token it is necessary to appreciate that President Eisenhower must be careful in stating America's commitments. For the moment, at least, they would appear to go no further than its obligations under the United Nations charter. Nevertheless, the President's statement did not preclude action by Britain, the United States and France under the tripartite declaration of 1950.

SETTLEMENT of the Israel-Egypt quarrel through the agency of the United Nations is assuredly the most desirable of the alternatives, for this in turn could open the way for the composing of wider Middle East problems. Mr Hammarskjold assesses his present mission on those lines.

At stake is the authority of the United Nations. As members of that organization the parties involved in the Israel-Arab dispute are pledged to respect its judgments. Unhappily there has been no cessation of border incidents since the arrival in the Middle East of Mr Hammarskjold — a disturbing indication that the contestants are not particularly interested in his mission to restore peace and order.

It is in this which adds significance to President Eisenhower's policy statement which, while not immediately requesting Congress to give authority to commit American troops to repel or prevent aggression inside or outside of the machinery of the United Nations, certainly gave Congress notice that the President might seek such authority.

Another important move with its own special meaning was yesterday's meeting between Mr Foster Dulles and Congress leaders of both parties. This has brought Congress "into the act" and in consequence if, at some future date, it should prove necessary to ask for military commitments, Congress could not level the complaint they had been brought too late into the picture.

THE possibility of eventual action under the tripartite declaration cannot be ruled out, inasmuch that the United Nations machinery for the settlement of disputes such as that which now threatens the whole of the Middle East could be sabotaged by Soviet use of the veto in the Security Council.

Russia joined grudgingly in approval of Mr Hammarskjold's mission on behalf of the United Nations, but clearly reserved the right to vote according to her own interests should a settlement plan be laid before the Security Council in consequence of the Hammarskjold negotiations. The possibility of the United Nations being prevented from taking suitable action by a Soviet veto cannot therefore be ignored.

The Hammarskjold mission may end in failure. Everything depends on the attitude of the Egyptian and Israeli governments. But if they spurn the United Nations' efforts to bring peace to the Israel-Arab borders, they must face the prospect of intervention by Britain, France and the United States. They cannot be allowed to spark a general war in the Middle East merely to satisfy their own belligerent whims.

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HE BECAME A HUMAN COCKTAIL SHAKER TO STOP HICCUPPING

New York, Apr. 10.
A 41-year-old man appears to have shaken off a five-year bout of hiccups — with the help of a patent vibrating machine and gallons of water.

The man is Harvey Hamilton. He has been hiccupping 28 times a minute each day for the last five years. He had tried every kind of treatment.

Then he heard of a Lebanese doctor in Connecticut who claimed he had helped 29 out of 30 people he treated on his vibrating machine.

Mr Hamilton went to him while his own doctor supervised the treatment.

The machine looked like a giant pair of scales. It vibrated from side to side and up and down. The patient stood on the machine and drank as many glasses of water as he could manage.

Mr Hamilton stepped on. He was thoroughly vibrated for several days and after a few weeks' treatment the hiccups stopped. —United Press.

JACK WARNER ROBBERY: TWO BRITONS SENTENCED

Paris, Apr. 10.
The last chapter in the 1953 theft of money from the Riviera home of American film magnate, Jack Warner, was written today when two Britons were sentenced to prison terms in absentia.

Camby Watersfield, believed to be the principal party to the theft, was sentenced to four years, and Robert Mackiewicz was given three years. A third Briton, Leslie Ives, who was the only one to appear in court, was discharged.

The story began on August 31, 1953. Then Warner's daughter gave a surprise party in his villa overlooking Juan-les-Pins. When Warner returned two days later, he found the key of his safe missing.

The spokesman said the broadsheet, made early this morning, was an admission of Egyptian responsibility for the raids and quoted it as saying the commando attacks meant the war was not confined to border attacks but had reached the heart of Israel.

Syrian patrols opened heavy fire on an Israeli patrol which crossed the armistice line into Syrian territory in the Zawiya area last night, a Syrian military spokesman said today.

He said the Israelis left behind a quantity of ammunition and grenades when they retreated. This was handed over today to United Nations truce observers who went to the scene, near the Sea of Galilee.

It was the second time within a week that Syrian military spokesmen had reported Israeli attacks in the area. Two Syrian soldiers were wounded in the earlier clash but Israeli casualties were not known.

Cairo's Warning
★ CAIRO: An Israeli patrol crossed the armistice line in the Deir El Balah area south of Gaza during the night and exchanged automatic fire with Egyptian positions for half an hour, an Egyptian military spokesman said today.

He said the Israeli patrol then withdrew. There were no casualties on the Egyptian side. Major-General Abdel Halim Amer, Egypt's War Minister and Commander-in-Chief, said today: "Egypt wants to live and work in peace."

"We want our people to enjoy a secure and prosperous life. We shall not allow anybody to stand in the way on our road to happiness and prosperity."

He added: "Egypt's army will teach anyone who tries to trespass our land an unforgettable lesson."

Egyptian - manned Russian MIG jet fighters whistled overhead as General Amer told the cadets: "You are the vanguard of our defence." —Reuters.

Cobra Kills Charmer, Starts Train Stampede

Marseilles, Apr. 10.
A snake-charmer was killed by one of his own hooded cobras today after it escaped from its cage aboard an express train and caused a stampede among the passengers.

The snake-charmer, identified as Mohamed Ben Dmorin, opened the cage to feed his two cobras their daily milk as the express rolled into the station at Marseilles.

A cobra suddenly darted into the aisle. Passengers stampeded in all directions on the train. The fakir tried to coax his pet back into the cage. But it bit him on the hand and he died later in hospital.

The cobras, back in their cage, were waiting at police headquarters while officials puzzled over their fate. —France-Press.

KOREAN BORDER CLASH Red Attack Alleged

Seoul, Apr. 11.
The South Korean Government announced today "more than five" Communist soldiers early yesterday morning crossed the demarcation line and attacked a South Korean army position north of Seoul.

The Government announced, released through the Office of Public Information, said the Communist soldiers and South Korean defenders exchanged fire for one hour and ten minutes from 2 a.m. yesterday.

The announcement said the Communist attackers withdrew to North Korea at about 4 a.m. The Government said there were no casualties on either side.

A spokesman for the U.S. Eighth Army said he had not been informed of the incident, but said the Army was checking.

A spokesman for the United Nations Military Armistice Commission said he had not heard about the incident either.

Fired 40 Rounds
The announcement did not identify the Korean army unit whose position was attacked nor the exact location where the incident took place.

The announcement said the Communist attackers fired about 40 rounds of rifle ammunition while South Korean defenders fired about 30 during the raid.

The Government said the attacking Communist soldiers were believed to be Chinese.

The Government said it had testimony of one unidentified American Army officer and one — also unidentified — Australian Army officer who were near the scene and had observed the fight. —Reuters.

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Absolute Majority In Ceylon Election

Colombo, Apr. 11.
The People's United Front has gained an absolute majority in the Ceylon parliament.

It had won 50 elective seats in the 101 member parliament early this morning and it has the right to choose members for six seats to be filled through nominations.

The People's United Front led by Mr S.W.R.D. Bandaranaike attained this position when only 99 of the 95 elective seats had been declared.

The party position in the Ceylon general election today was: People's United Front 50, Trotskyite 11, United National Party eight, Independents three, Federal Party three, Communists two, Tamil Resistance Front one: Total 78.

Huge Majority

Mr Bandaranaike retained his seat with a majority of 41,997 votes over his United National Party rival.

Sir John Kotelawala is expected to resign as Premier tomorrow. His United National Party has suffered a crushing defeat and has so far been unable to add a single seat to the eight it won in the first round of the polling on April 6.

The ruling party has lost eight of its ministers and five parliamentary secretaries in the election. —Reuters.

BRITAIN SUPPORTS VIETNAM CLAIM

London, Apr. 10.
Britain has told Russia it does not consider South Vietnam bound by the Indo-China armistice agreements to hold joint elections with the Communist North to reunite the country.

A British note delivered in Moscow early and published tonight sharply rejected a Soviet allegation that a military buildup was taking place in South Vietnam.

It said Forces in the South had been reduced by 100,000 French troops and 20,000 Vietnamese since the armistice.

The note counter-charged that the Communist Vietnam army had been increased from seven to 20 divisions since the armistice was negotiated in Geneva in July 1954.

The armistice — temporarily partitioning the country across the 17th parallel — was signed by France and North Vietnam. A separate Geneva conference declaration stipulated that elections should be held to reunite the country in July this year.

IMPOSSIBLE

But South Vietnam is refusing to hold the election. It says that a free poll would not be possible in the Communist North and that since it disavowed the Geneva agreements it is not legally bound by them.

Official sources said the note set out the line the Marquis of Rending, Minister of State at the Foreign Office, will take tomorrow when he meets Mr Andrei Gromyko, deputy Soviet Foreign Minister. For talks about the Indo-China situation.

Britain has for months been urging South Vietnam to agree to the election. It was the first time that it had formally stated the view that South Vietnam was not legally obliged to agree.

The note regretted that "no special progress had been made in fulfilling the political provisions of the armistice. It hoped that it would be possible eventually for Vietnam to be reunited through a free election."

In the meantime it was of "paramount importance" to preserve the peace between the North and South. —Reuters.

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SULTAN'S TRIUMPHAL RETURN

Big Crowds Line Route To Rabat

Rabat, Apr. 10. The Sultan of Morocco, Sidi Mohammed ben Youssef, made a triumphal return to Rabat today, after symbolically cutting the frontier-line between the former French and Spanish zones of Morocco at the Quedra frontier post.

The Sultan, who visited Madrid to open Spanish-Moroccan talks on Moroccan unity and independence, at Tetuan, capital of the former Spanish zone, was wildly acclaimed by an enormous crowd in Rabat.

With him, on a special train from the frontier to Sale station near here, were French High Commissioner Andre Dubois and the Sultan's sons, Prince Moulay Hassan and Moulay Abdallah.

Cut Ribbon

Earlier today, the Spanish High Commissioner, General Garcia Vallina, accompanied the Sultan from Tetuan to the former French-Spanish frontier.

The Sultan cut a red and green ribbon, the Moroccan national colours, stretched across the frontier between the two former zones with a pair of gold scissors.

After the ceremony, the Sultan was met by M. Dubois and they left for Sale by rail. All along his road and rail journey from Tetuan to Rabat, the Sultan was cheered by enthusiastic Moroccans lining the route.

Between Arbaoun, near the old zone frontier, and Sale station, the Sultan's special train stopped at Souk el Arba, Petitjean and Port Lyautey.

On each occasion, Crown Prince Moulay Hassan spoke to the welcoming throngs in his father's name.

The Prince said the "first result of the Sultan's visit to Madrid has been to put an end to the division of Morocco into two zones."

No Passports

He added that all Moroccans could now cross from north to south of the country without visas or passports.

"The second result, as important as the first, is that the Spanish Government has recognised our independence," he said, adding "France and Spain now consider Morocco as an independent state, free, sovereign and united." —France-Press.

EINSTEIN AWARDS

New York, Apr. 10. Carl Sandburg, the poet, and Democrat Senator Herbert Lehman today were among four winners of the first annual Albert Einstein Commemorative awards of 1,000 dollars each.

Mr Sandburg was cited for outstanding achievement in the field of humanities. Senator Lehman, of New York, was cited for "citizenship."

An Atom Energy Commissioner, Dr John von Neumann, received an award in science and Dr Stanley Cobb, consultant at Massachusetts General Hospital, received the award in medicine.

The awards were established by Yeshiva University in memory of Dr Einstein, who died last April 18. —China Mail Special.

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'It Was An Error'

A 39-year-old village school teacher of Haydon Bridge, Northumberland, England, Donald Oliver Bury has legally changed his name from Oliver Bury. Donald Bury pictured here said: "At birth I was of indeterminate sex and was registered in good faith as female. It has become more and more apparent that this registration was an error. My birth certificate has now been corrected. This has been done without medical treatment of any kind and with the full knowledge and support of my father and relatives."

"I am now in a position to meet anyone without embarrassment when they are informed of my name. And to live the rest of my life peacefully in my correct status." —Express Photo.

12,000 Miles For Brain Operation

Melbourne, Apr. 10.

Marieke van Dijk, nine-year-old daughter of Dutch migrants, Mr and Mrs Lodewijk J. van Dijk, is booked for an air trip to Sweden for a brain operation there in May.

Whether Marieke will fly from Australia as planned on April 12 will depend on the success of a newspaper and radio appeal for funds launched by residents of Croydon, eighteen miles from Melbourne, where the Marieke family has settled. Cost of the flight, operation and treatment is estimated at £2,000 (£1,800 sterling).

Mr van Dijk was a captain in the military police in Indonesia. As a prisoner of war he was put to work on the Burma railway. —China Mail Special.

40 VIETMINH KILLED

Salgon, Apr. 10. FORTY Vietminh partisans are reported to have been killed in a violent quarrel with their allies, Hoa Hao dissidents from South Vietnam — a reliable source said here today.

The clash, which took place on March 22 near Omon, about 100 miles west of Salgon, arose over the share-out of a stock of requisitioned rice.

The South Vietnam national army intervened, killing eight dissidents and taking another ten prisoner.

Poll Test Questions To Discriminate

Washington, Apr. 10. Attorney General Herbert Brownell, Jr, testified today that some Negro voters were disqualified in a Mississippi election because they failed to answer such questions as, "How many bubbles in a bar of soap?"

Putting a stop to that kind of poll test, he told the House Judiciary Committee, is one of the objectives of the Administration's four-point civil rights legislative programme submitted to Congress yesterday.

Harm Done

One Administration Bill would permit civil suits against individuals or groups that seek to bar a citizen's voting rights. It would permit the Attorney General to file civil actions in such cases without an individual complaint. Mr Brownell said this would be "more flexible and often more effective" than criminal prosecution which is already authorized.

"Criminal prosecution can never begin until after the harm is done and it can never be invoked to forestall a violation of civil rights no matter how obvious the threat of violation may be," he said.

He also urged creation of a six-member, bipartisan commission to study the civil rights field.

Negroes Tested

Mr Brownell said in 1952 a number of Negro citizens in Mississippi, many of them well-educated, were disqualified under a statute that required an applicant to be able to read and write the US Constitution.

He said Negroes were "tested" with such questions as "What is due process of law?" and "How many bubbles in a bar of soap?"

If the Attorney General had possessed injunction powers in these cases, he said, the voting registrar could have been ordered to "stop these discriminatory practices." —United Press.

Father Suicides

Wife Failed To Bear Son

Milan, Apr. 10.

An Italian peasant hanged himself because his wife failed to bear him a son, it was learned today.

Arduo Galli, 47, was already the father of three girls. When his wife was expecting her fourth baby, he told his friends that if she did not bear him a son this time, he would kill himself. But they did not take him seriously.

Galli's fourth daughter was born yesterday. Shortly after learning the news, he was found hanging from a beam in the attic of his home at Conzo near Milan. —France-Press.

Phnom Penh, Apr. 10.

Poland has offered to recognise Cambodia, informed sources stated today.

The Polish Government asked that the two countries should exchange diplomatic representatives. —France-Press.

MONEY HUNGRY

Rio de Janeiro, Apr. 10. A youth who ate his way through 40 pounds of food in five hours to win a hundred dollar bet, collected his hard-earned money today—in the hospital.

The youth had just finished lunch when a friend bet him he could not eat all the food in the restaurant next door. The youth accepted the challenge, won the bet and then was packed off to hospital, where he was reported doing well. —France-Press.

Swiss Nazi's Claim Rejected

Berne, Apr. 10.

The Swiss Parliament has rejected a claim for 200,000 francs (about £16,000 sterling) damages brought against five Presidents of the Confederation by a Swiss Nazi condemned to 20 years' imprisonment for treason.

Franz Burri, who lived in Austria during the war under the protection of the Nazi authorities, claimed that the Austro-Swiss extradition treaty does not apply to political criminals.

NO RELATIONS

The five Presidents replied that there were no diplomatic relations between Switzerland and Austria immediately after the war.

The United States occupation authorities brought Burri to the Austro-Swiss frontier at St Margarethen in May 1946 and he was arrested by the Swiss Police.

Two years later the Swiss Federal Court sentenced him to 20 years' imprisonment for treason and he is still in gaol. —China Mail Special.

Pledged To Drink 100 Pints A Week

Lusaka, Rhodesia, Apr. 10.

"Wanted. Applications for membership of the Centipede Club. Qualifications: ability to drink 100 pints of beer a week. After this advertisement had appeared recently in Northern Rhodesian newspaper, replies flowed in by the score and the "club" announced that its books were full.

One hundred men had signed the pledge—to drink a minimum of 100 pints of beer a week. In case money was short towards the end of the month each new member had to pay an initial entry fee of £5 into a central kitty.

Any hardy drinker could draw from the kitty to fulfil his quota. —China Mail Special.

Oslo, Apr. 10.

The Norwegian and Russian frontier commissioners have agreed that the 1,000 reindeer which crossed into Russian territory earlier this winter shall be allowed to stay there until the end of April. —China Mail Special.

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MALENKOV Tass Drops Hint: Desire To Talk With The People

London, Apr. 10.

Russian officials gave a broad hint here today that Marshal Nikolai Bulganin and Mr Nikita Khrushchev, top Soviet leaders, are determined to meet the ordinary men and women in Britain when they come here on an official visit next week.

They have already protested publicly that the programme planned for them by the British Government keeps them from contact with the "ordinary people."

Today the London office of Tass, the official Soviet news agency, issued biographies of the two Soviet statesmen.

Official Profile

The official profile of Mr Khrushchev is his desire to see everything with his own eyes, to know personally the people working in different industries, to see a country and people with his own eyes, to talk to people from state-ment down to the ordinary man in town or village—this is Mr Khrushchev's approach when dealing with questions of an international nature, when working to defend peace.

Detectives detailed to guard them are being warned that the Kremlin leaders will probably want to go walking in the busy streets of London, between official engagements, or stop their cars to get out and talk to strangers everywhere they go.

This is what Mr George Malenkov, former Soviet Prime Minister, did during his recent visit to Britain.

Time and again the British detectives detailed to guard him had to struggle through crowds to get to his side.

No Objection

There is no political objection here to Marshal Bulganin and Mr Khrushchev doing the same. The danger working police and Foreign Office officials is that somewhere in the crowds there might be a fanatic who would attack the Soviet leaders.

Some British newspapers claimed today that members of the British Communist Party were ordered to write letters in the streets of London to Mr Khrushchev to their homes and factories.

This laid the foundation for the Soviet propaganda allegations that Britain wanted to keep the Russian leaders fenced off from the ordinary people.

Morrison's Views On Malaya

Calcutta, Apr. 10.

Mr Herbert Morrison, a leading member of the British Labour Party said here today that the Malayan Communists continued to pose a serious problem to the administration despite the brave efforts of the army and the police to curb the menace.

However, public support in fighting Communist terrorism in Malaya has been increasing, he added.

Mr Morrison said opinion in Malaya was agreed on the principle of self-government, but there was also a feeling that, by agreement Britain should remain in charge of Malaya's external affairs and defence.

Able Administration

One of the main problems of the Malayan Government was to be able to develop an able administration with the best administrative and technical talent available locally.

He said the Government would have to decide whether to retain British members of the administrative services and whether, for their part, the Britons would want to continue to serve in the new "setup."

As regards Singapore Mr Morrison said the terrorist problem there had virtually ceased though they still obtained help from "friends" in Singapore.—Reuter.

Mr Percy Daines, a Labour member of Parliament, will suggest to Sir Anthony Eden in the House of Commons this week that he challenge the Russians to let him go to Moscow with the same facilities they are being given here.

Navy Welcome

The Royal Navy announced today that a series of gun salutes will be fired from warships to greet Marshal Bulganin and Mr Khrushchev when they arrive at Portsmouth on Wednesday aboard the Soviet cruiser Ordzhonikidze. A Naval band and a guard of honour will welcome the Russian leaders on the quayside.—Reuter.

THAI EXILES RETURN TO FACE TRIAL

Bangkok, Apr. 10.

Two Thai exiles who have been in China with the former Thai Premier Pridi Panomyong, today returned to Bangkok to contest charges held against them since 1947.

They were Police Captain Chaiyab and Police Corporal Chom Saeng Ngern, who escaped from Thailand immediately after the coup of November 8, 1947. Chaiyab was then chief of the political police in the Criminal Investigation Department under the Thairong Government which was overthrown in the coup.

A-Experiments

JAPANESE REASSURED

London, Apr. 10.

Britain has given assurances to the Japanese Government regarding the forthcoming British atomic bomb experiments, it was learned from informed sources here today.

Minister of State to the Foreign Office, the Marquis of Reading, who received Japanese Ambassador Haruhiko Noguchi today, handed to Mr Noguchi the British reply to the Japanese note of March 9 in which anxiety was expressed about the effect which the nuclear explosion might have on fish and fishermen.

The informed source said the British note assured the Japanese that every precaution would be taken to avoid possible accidents.

The British Admiralty has already given warning to the Tokyo authorities of the coming explosion, asking them to warn Japanese fishermen who might be in the area at the time.—France-Press.

TRUMAN NERVOUS

Kansas City, Apr. 10.

Former President Truman told newsmen today he and Mrs Truman will sail for a European vacation on May 11.

They will visit Italy, France, Germany, Belgium, the Netherlands and England.

But he said they will not go to the eastern Mediterranean countries because of the current unrest there.

"We think it best under the circumstances not to try to visit there on this trip," he said.

But he wanted it understood he remains deeply interested in that area.

Mr Truman indicated he was nervous about the forthcoming marriage of his daughter, as most fathers are.

He was asked if he would be scared.

Have you ever been on the front under artillery fire?" he replied.—United Press.

QUEEN'S GIFT TO PRINCE AND GRACE

London, Apr. 10.

Queen Elizabeth is giving a silver gilt tray, suitably inscribed, as a wedding present to Prince Rainier of Monaco and American film actress, Grace Kelly, it was learned from a well-informed source here tonight.

The gift will be handed personally to the happy couple on April 18 by the British sovereign's chief representative, Sir Guy Salisbury-Jones, Marshal of the Diplomatic Corps.

The United States liner Constitution, carrying film star Grace to Monaco, arrived off Algiers today amid the greatest excitement this little port has seen in more than 40 years.

The liner was greeted by grey sails, a sharp wind from the African coast, and hordes of journalists from all corners of the world, who had been waiting for more than 24 hours for the ship to arrive.

Miss Kelly did not appear on deck because of the bad weather. Journalists went out to the ship to launch to pick up news items, photo-

German Troops Train With US Guns



At the Hardberg, near the capital of the Federal German Republic, troops of the new West German Army are seen at target practice with US-manufactured machine guns.—Express Photo.

Grave Charges Against Soldiers

Algiers, Apr. 10.

A lieutenant and a soldier from the Algerian security forces today faced a military tribunal on charges of treasonably passing information to the rebels and inciting their fellow troops to desert.

One of the accused, Lieutenant Taouti of the 5th Regiment of Chasseurs Africains (Light Cavalry) reportedly confessed to passing military information to the rebels and supplying lists of officers and men likely to co-operate with them.

The soldier was Pierre Khalifa, who was accused of distributing Communist literature to the troops, inciting them to desert.

Lieutenant Taouti's nephew, son of a Caid in Southern Oran, also faced a treason charge for inciting his uncle to treasonable activities. The hearing was still going on tonight.—France-Press.

Last French Parade In Indo-China

Saigon, Apr. 10.

TROOPS of the French Expeditionary Corps in Indo-China paraded through Saigon for the last time today. A company of paratroopers represented the Vietnamese national army in the march-past.

The ceremony, which was watched by large crowds, was attended by General Pierre Jacquot, the French Commander-in-Chief, Admiral Albert Jozan, French naval commander in the Far East, Ambassador Henri Hoppenot, the French High Commissioner, Tran Trung Dung, Vietnam's Assistant Secretary of State for Defence, three Vietnamese generals and members of the diplomatic corps.

The streets were decorated with the French and Vietnamese national colours and the ceremony began with a tribute to those who died in the Indo-China war.

In an order of the day to the French troops, M. Hoppenot stressed: "It is to the battle which you fought side by side with your Vietnamese comrades that the Republic of Vietnam owes its freedom."

The evacuation of the Expeditionary Corps is to be completed by June 30.—France-Press.

De Tassigny's Father Dies Aged 101

Paris, Apr. 10.

Roger de Lattre de Tassigny, father of Marshal Jean de Lattre de Tassigny, one-time French Commander-in-Chief in Indo-China, who died in 1952, died today at the age of 101.

Roger de Lattre de Tassigny, the Marshal's father, died in the village of Moulleau-en-Paredes, ancestral home of his family, of which he was Mayor. He was one of the oldest Mayors in France.

During the last years of his life, the old man, who was blind, suffered the loss of his grandson, Bernard, son of the Marshal, who was killed in Indo-China. A year later, Marshal de Lattre Tassigny died in France during a hurried visit from Indo-China.

Roger de Lattre was a close friend of Georges Clemenceau, famous French Premier during the 1914-18 War.—France-Press.

Refugee Rehabilitation

VIETNAM RACING AGAINST TIME

Saigon, Apr. 10.

Officials helping to establish the 85,000 refugees who fled from North Vietnam hope to have large numbers of the refugees established on their own land and the ground ploughed ready for planting by the time the rains come in May.

If they fail, it will set the programme back at least a year because of the rigid cycle imposed by the wet and dry seasons in Vietnam.

Plantings must be carried out in the wet season, when the rice-growing plains of South Vietnam become fruitful, while construction must be done in the dry season when the peasants do not have to work so hard in the fields and materials and transport can use the roads, which are morasses in the wet.

Terrorists Strike

Progress with resettlement has, however, been hampered by terrorists who have struck at refugee villages in the north and northeast of Saigon. In six weeks from the beginning of February, they burned down 3,000 bamboo homes in five villages and made an estimated 15,000 people homeless.

Bishop Joseph Harnett, the American Catholic leader of the Vietnam Mission Catholic Relief Services, the leading non-Government organisation in refugee resettlement, said that the fires were part of the Vietminh attempts to break the spirit of the refugees.

This campaign, he said, had first of all taken the form of trying to persuade them not to leave their homes in the north and come to South Vietnam by telling them that they would be made slaves in French rubber plantations. Now, they are burning down villages in an attempt to stir up trouble and possibly thwart the resettlement campaign.

Progress Made

Nevertheless, progress is being made with resettlement. All the 85,000 refugees have been housed, according to the Bishop, and many have their own gardens. Some have been allotted, or have received under the reform laws, land for growing rice. Some have even harvested the first crops from their new holdings.

In the area southwest of Saigon, the Government of South Vietnam has begun the first large-scale resettlement of refugees which, it is hoped, will bring into production abandoned ricefields which were once the granary of the region.

Just Free

This area was under Vietminh control during the war and was a battleground between the French and the Vietminh. After the Geneva settlement, the area became a Vietnamese re-grouping

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Genoa, Apr. 10.

Strange sounds coming from the pavement in front of a jewellery shop aroused the curiosity of passersby yesterday afternoon.

Someone called the police.

Officers blocked off the entrance to Genoa's sewer system while patrols with flashlights explored the underground.

Beneath the jewellers they found 76-year-old Ezio Gazzano patiently working by candlelight at the task of boring a hole into the shop.

The police greeted Gazzano, "king of the sewers", as an old friend. He has spent more than half his life in their custody.—United Press.

Process Prevents Much Water Evaporation

Dallas, Apr. 10.

A young Australian scientist here for the American Chemical Society convention told today of a process that prevents water evaporation by as much as 45 per cent.

The scientist, W. W. Mansfield, of the Commonwealth of Industrial Research Organisation of Australia, said the process might save Texas alone more than \$100 million on its water bill.

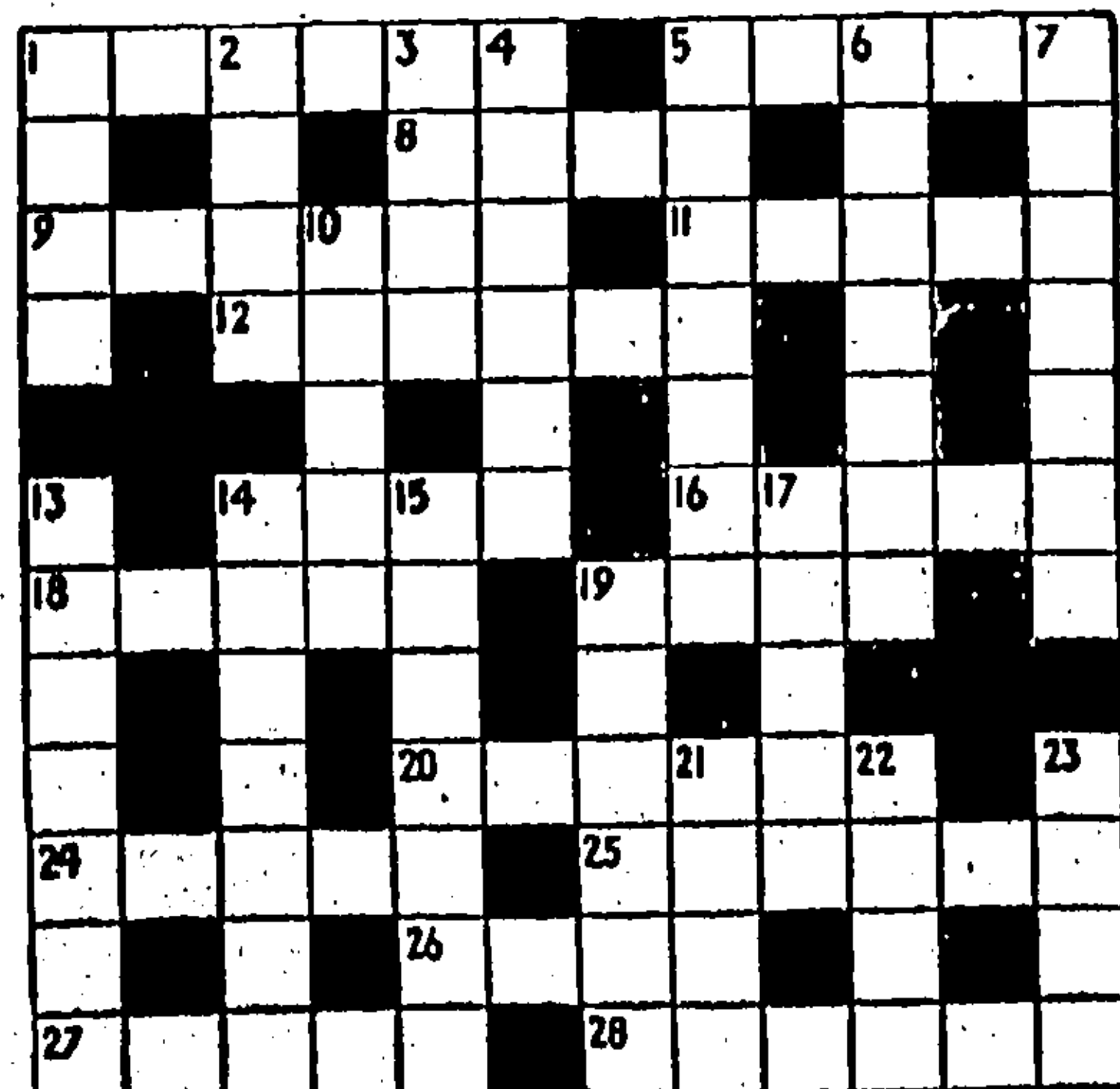
Mr Mansfield predicted that methods used to check water evaporation in his country would be successful in the United States.

DEMONSTRATION

He said that by using hexadecanol, a thin, fatty chemical film, the evaporation rate could be cut by 45 per cent. This would result in a saving of about \$112.5 million for Texas, since the state loses some 7.5 million acre feet a year to evaporation.

Mansfield's process will be demonstrated in San Antonio at the first international conference on water evaporation, sponsored by the Southwest Research Institute.—United Press.

A British Crossword Puzzle



- ACROSS
- Request for repulsion (6).
 - Equipped (5).
 - Allments (4).
 - Fit for consumption (6).
 - Heads (5).
 - Adoles (5).
 - Broad smile (4).
 - Bundles (5).
 - Umpire (5).
 - Depend (4).
 - Second performance (6).
 - Firewell (5).
 - Stop (6).
 - Platform (4).
 - Bird (5).
 - Reposed (6).

- DOWN
- Always (4).
 - Smart (4).
 - Vex (4).
 - Team (6).
 - Impulse (7).
 - Gaily (7).
 - Sack (7).
 - Brazen noise (5).
 - Sir up (7).
 - Obtaining (7).
 - Trepass (7).
 - Church table (5).
 - Mend (5).
 - Highland Ghele (4).
 - Try out (4).
 - Doss (4).

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD: Across: 1. Cocker, 4. Appeal, 7. Armada, 8. Hogs, 10. Gals, 12. Invites, 13. Event, 14. Safe, 17. Halo, 19. Faves, 20. Blunder, 21. Ease, 22. Topic, 24. Gambit, 25. Usage, 26. Dodder, 27. Power, 1. Chargers, 2. Complete, 3. Ends, 5. Phases, 6. Andes, 9. Inter, 11. Awaiting, 12. Inter, 13. Terrible, 14. Selected, 15. Allow, 22. Bala

FAMOUS REFEREE SERIES

"PEERLESS" JIM THEY CALLED DRISCOLL AND PEERLESS HE WAS IN HIS CRAFT

By C. B. THOMAS

"Peerless" Jim they called the Cardiff-born Jim Driscoll, and peerless he was in his craft. His scientific skill in the ring has never been surpassed by anybody in the world.

With his black curly hair, grey-blue eyes and beautiful body, he was a Greek god in miniature.

Jim Driscoll was born in a Cardiff house on December 15, 1880. After leaving school, he was employed at the printing works of a local newspaper, and from then until the age of eighteen he "played" at boxing amongst the amateurs, making a sizable collection of cups and trophies.

But with a widowed mother to support Jim soon saw the financial advantages of putting his talents on a professional basis. He went under the just guidance of Bob Downey, who owned a gymnasium in Cardiff where Jim first trained, and Albert Shirley.

A glutton for gym work, Driscoll invariably finished his exhausting training sessions by walking right round the room on his hands.

But it was in the boxing booth that Jim perfected his supreme ring technique, for a couple of years travelling around with booth owner Professor Harry Cullis.

I remember his sessions with a 15-stone navy when the booth was closed during the daytime.

FULL RECOGNITION

Driscoll loved the booth life when he was not engaged in preparation for a big contest. Then, he trained at the Badminton Club, Cardiff. But not until 1900, when he was 20, did Jim get full recognition as champion-ship class—after his second contest with top-nolcher Johnny Summers, afterwards Feather, Light and Welterweight Champion.

Matched with Bantam Champion Joe Bowker, winner over the famous local Palmer, Jim took a fifteen-round points decision at the National Sporting Club, London, and national title.

But back home in Wales, the victor was rather different, particularly in the "British Volunteer" in Cardiff, a tavern used by all sportsmen.

With pretty brunette Edie Wilshire, behind the bar, Jim Driscoll for some time had been pressing a very romantic suit. But mine host, Bob Wilshire, didn't approve.

"I've never liked you hanging about Edie," said Bob, "and what's more—if the best you're capable of is beating Joe Bowker, on points, you can forget her altogether!"

Old man Wilshire thought he had set an impossible standard for Driscoll—to beat a reigning Champion was not enough. But Driscoll made up his mind at once.

"I'll take Bowker," he declared, "BY A KNOCK-OUT—then I'll take Edie!" He did, too.

On the eve of Derby Day, 1907, Jim knocked out Bowker for the first time in the Champion's career. Soon afterwards the new Champion led Edie to the altar at St David's Church, Cardiff.

Driscoll's career is book length. Here, I can only mention

certain highlights, such as his trip to America—and his return. When he landed in New York he was met by famous American manager Charles Harvey, who had seen Driscoll box at home. Harvey had so publicised the arrival that the quayside was packed with Pressmen and boxing experts.

Jim's two "cushion" ears caused some ribald comment from the gathering and loud doubts as to his actual fighting ability. But his first fight had them all sitting up.

WON EVERY ROUND
In quick succession Jim disposed of Matty Baldwin (twice), Craver Hayes (twice) and Charlie Griffin, Featherweight Champion of Australia and New Zealand. Soon, all America's Press was demanding a pairing with Abe Attell, Featherweight Champion of the world.

Abe fought shy for a long time. Eventually, under great pressure, he agreed to a ten-round no-decision bout, but remarking: "There can only be one Champion. I'll stand by what the newspaper guys say when it's over."

Even the terrific amount of betting was to be settled in the same way by the newspapermen's verdict.

To train for that important fight Driscoll had three other fights, one a week, over six rounds, ten and ten. And on the great night he outpointed the Champion in every round.

The Press was unanimous. The next morning only one man in New York recognised Abe Attell as World Champion. That was Abe himself.

Now the huge purse offers poured in from everywhere, but the jubilant Harvey, bursting in on Driscoll with, "Well, make a fortune, kid!" was astonished to find him packing for home.

All Charley Harvey's entreaties and proofs of big money waiting to be picked up could not detain the Welshman.

"I promised to box on the charity show for Nazareth House," he informed the flabbergasted manager. "I've got to be there."

"Where's the contract?" yelled Harvey. "Don't worry—I can break that!"

"You don't understand," answered Driscoll. "I promised I'd be there."

VERBAL PROMISE
And so, to fulfil a verbal promise made to box for charity, the Welshman turned his back on fortune and sailed home, uncrowned king of the World Featherweights. That's the sort of man Jim Driscoll was.

Which is why the agitation that got him in the ring with Freddy Welsh was so appalling.

For years the two boxers had been firm friends, but their various supporters had "mixed it" so much that there had to be a showdown. Five days

before Christmas, 1910, the greatest tragedy in modern Welsh ring history was enacted. By the seventh round, with Welsh using robust tactics, Driscoll was appealing to Percy Bettinson, refereeing from outside the ring. He was told "Box on!"

In the end it was intolerable, and by the tenth both men were viciously butting.

Driscoll came off worst, for Bettinson, jumping into the ring, caught Jim giving the final butt and disqualified him. It was his first time in his long and honourable career, and Jim took it hard.

The scenes around the ring-side were unforgettable—and unforgettable. Faithful henchmen Boyo Driscoll and Badger O'Brien were scrapping furiously.

And in the resultant confusion "the boys" were busy cleaning out the pockets of the fans. The whole affair was sickening.

After three more fights Driscoll, then having bouts of illness, said one day: "I've one more, good fight left in me. Get me a match with Johnny Kilbane (World Champion after Attell) and I'll be satisfied." (Jim was then 32).

The fight did not materialise. The 1914-15 war did. Driscoll served in the Welsh Horse.

After the war, Jim was persuaded to return to the ring. That fight with the French tiger, Charles Ledoux, at the National Sporting Club on October 20, 1919, made ring history.

WITHOUT LUSTRE
Driscoll, 39 years old, was ring-worn, ill in body. Peerless still, but without lustre.

Yet still so brilliant that he was consummate master for fifteen rounds in which the tiger could not get within claw reach in the sixteenth—disaster!

A right caught Jim, buckled his legs, and his face was suddenly that of an old man—Ledoux followed, hitting out like a man possessed. Just—only just—Jim stayed upright until the going.

In his corner he was violently sick. For the only time in his life a towel fluttered the surrender signal from his corner. It was the end....

Just over five years later, aged 44, Jim, after a long battle with fast falling health, died. On the morning of his funeral flowers and wreaths filled every corner of the Duke of Edinburgh Hotel, where he had lived. Wales, man, woman and child, mourned the passing of their hero.

There can be nobody else like him, for Jim was peerless. (COPYRIGHT)

BRITISH OLYMPIC EQUESTRIAN TEAM



The British Equestrian team which will participate in this year's Olympic Games are pictured at Windsor Forest Stud, where they have been training. Team are, from left: Colonel Harry Llewellyn on "Aherlow"; Mr Wilfred White on "Nizofella"; Miss Pat Smythe on "Flanagan"; Mr Peter Robeson on "Craven A"; Miss Dawn Palethorpe on "Earlsra Rambler"; Mrs Bryan Marshall on "Nobler"; Major R. Dallas on "Marmion"; Miss Susan Whitehead on "Scorchin".—Express Photo.

THE DAYS OF BIG CROWDS ARE OVER...

Speedway Racing Is Running Out Of Gas

Says GEORGE WHITING

Speedway doesn't live here any more.

The days of big and enthusiastic crowds are over, the shrilling of the autograph hunters is still, the personalities have departed, and the corner-dust that used to rise in cash-spinning clouds has settled down into a flat and unprofitable desert. All is woe.

The tax man has cut deep, the promoters argue among themselves, a weak Speedway Control Board has wobbled at the knees, the riders have shunned healthy competition and hidden their heads in the sand of restrictive practice.

Five years ago there were 35 tracks catering for 12 million fever-hat spectators every year. Now there are 14 tracks, and if they attract 5,000,000 patrons in the season beginning this Easter they will account themselves fortunate.

SURVIVORS

Wembley and Wimbledon alone survive in London, kept alive by the promotional urging and abiding faith of, respect-

TENNIS

Another Aussie Wants To Return To Amateur Fold

Melbourne, Apr. 10.
Frank Sedgman, Australian professional tennis star and former Wimbledon, Australian and United States Champion, said tonight he would "wait and see" before following former Davis Cup colleague Ken McGregor in applying for reinstatement as an amateur.

"If Ken gets through I might as well be in it too," said Sedgman. But he would not apply this year since he had a "pretty big tour coming up in June" with Jack Kramer's professional group.

Sedgman and McGregor both turned professional in 1953 and it became known yesterday that McGregor had applied for reinstatement because he would like to play in district matches and compete in an occasional tournament.—Reuter.

Pakistan Hockey XI

The following players will represent Pakistan in their return hockey match against England, at Solihull tomorrow at 5.45 p.m. sharp:

M. Samy (Team manager), M. A. Wahab Jr., (Captain), T. Hussain (Vice Captain), M. Bashir, O. K. Dallah, Hanif, A. Ditta, A. Rakha, A. M. Wahab Jr., Y. Khan, G. Ibrahim, H. K. Ebrahim, A. Kadir, B. Gafoor, M. Omar.

tively, Sir Arthur Elvin and Mr Ronnie Greene. Walthamstow and New Cross saw the red light long ago. Harringay and West Ham struggled for a while, but now they, too, have run out of gas—Harringay after seeing their customers dwindle from 40,000 to 5000 per meeting.

What an undignified mess these one-time derring-do heroes have got themselves into with their silly internal squabbles. The funeral, I mean the season, started on March 30, and yet, four days before the "off," nobody knew who was riding when, where or why. Can you imagine the fate of football, or cricket, or any other sport that could not get round to telling the customers what was going on?

I hope a packed assembly had a rip-roaring time at Wimbledon recently—but I doubt if they will have tasted the excitement that used to whip up at least 100,000 start-of-the-season enthusiasts every Good Friday.

JOGGERS

Stretching every sort of point in every sort of direction, the only crowd-pulling speedway riders likely to be seen here regularly this season are Ronnie Moore, Wimbledon's ex-World Champion from New Zealand, Gerald Hussey, who returns home from Australia to find his old employers, West Ham, gone out of business; and Leicester's young, polished-off expert, Ken "Hurriken" McKinlay.

For the rest, you may write most of them off as a bunch of jogggers-along, tooting around (spare time) with little risk to their necks and even less chance of making a worth-while wage packet. Personalities are out, and the days are gone when West Ham thought it good business to buy Jack Young from Edinburgh for £3000. Now they come in uniform job-lots.

Fun and fire went out of speedway racing when they started playing safe. Nobody (I hope) wants to capture crowds of sadists smacking their lips in anticipation of "death on wheels." Nevertheless, the old-time dirt-track experts were not above taking the kind of chance that excites the customer.

profits the performer, and keeps the boss out of the red.

TOO LATE?

How different nowadays—when the turnstile patron has to put up with a work-to-rule bonus system that often ensnares the second man home the same amount of prize-money as the winner. Let me know when you see a couple of team-mates having a dust-up after one of them has achieved a lead at the first bend.

They standardised the engines, standardised the starting areas, standardised the shale top-dressing, and standardised the style of riding into a fool-forward uniformity that put out of action for all to the rider-sliding thrills we used to see from the old-time leg-trailers. Oliver Hart, I suppose, was the last of that breezy breed.

Is nothing being done to rescue the perishing? Yes—though it could well be a case of too little, too late.

NEW TYPE OF TYRE

The riders decided last week to adopt a new type of rear tyre after April 28—partly to reduce costs, partly in the hope of putting back spectacle into the sport.

After ten years of acrimonious argument, we are to see promotion and relegation struggles among the governing bodies in each of the two divisions of the Speedway League—which used to boast 35 clubs in three divisions. There will also be a real knock-out cup competition, uncluttered by all that home-and-away nonsense. And they will seek to liven things up by abolishing the seeding of riders to their home tracks, in the world championship.

Anything else? Yes, a gent named Wladimir Szewrowski, having shown his mettle against Belle Vue in Warsaw last year, will perform for a team of Poles at Wimbledon on May 7.

Well, here's jolly good luck to Wladimir. May his cinders burn brightly, and may he arrive a few years earlier—before they classified the spark out of British speedway, and turned the whole business into a bit of a bore. (LONDON EXPRESS SERVICE). (COPYRIGHT)

WORLD'S FASTEST MILER WILL MAKE TWO AMERICAN APPEARANCES

San Francisco, Apr. 10.

Australia's fabulous John Landy, world record holder for the Mile, will make two American appearances—both in California—early in May, it was announced today.

Landy, who has run the three fastest miles in history, will make a double assault on a new world record for the distance at the University of Southern California-Ucla dual meet in Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum on May 5 and in the West Coast Relays Open Mile at Fresno on Saturday, May 12.

He will arrive in San Francisco from Australia on May 3.

Landy, in a telephone call to San Francisco early today, agreed to accept the two invitations as his contribution towards building interest in the 1956 Olympic Games, which will be held next November in his hometown of Melbourne. The invitation was extended through the U.S.A.U.

Acceptance of the United States invitation was revealed this afternoon by Pete Rozelle, partner in the San Francisco public relations firm of P. K. Macker and Company.

The San Francisco firm was retained by the Victoria Promotion Committee to handle a public relations programme in the United States for the Olympic year.

EARLIER DECISION

His decision to come to the United States was a reversal of an earlier decision not to run outside Australia prior to the Olympic Games. Previously he had received bids from several countries and for several meets in the United States.

Landy, who three times has broken the four-minute mile and whose best time of 3:58.6 set at Turku, Finland, on June 21, 1954—is the existing world record, has been reluctant to extend competitive racing this season because of his rigid training schedule for the Olympic 1,500 metres in which he will be the likely favourite. However, he changed his mind after winning a mile race in 3:58.6 last Saturday in Melbourne.

Following his record breaking performance, he placed second behind England's Roger Bannister, who ran 3:55.8 to win the British Empire Games "Mile Of The Century" at Vancouver, British Columbia, a year ago last August.

After this race Landy went into retirement for 17 months but stayed in condition by galloping over the hills with

his students at a grammar school in the mountains about 80 miles from Melbourne.

He made his mile comeback on January 28 at Melbourne when he set the sports world whistling with a winning time of 3:58.6, the second fastest four laps on record.—United Press.

FANLING GOLF

Following are the latest results of competitions played in the Ladies' Section at Fanling:

Captain's Cup March Qualifying Round.—Mrs J.D. Clague and Mrs E.M. Wisely tied for the Monthly Qualifier with Mrs 71. Mrs Clague winning the play off. L.G.U. Medal—Silver Division—March 6th—Mrs E.W. Brooks—38-12=70; March 20th—Mrs J.H. McCann—39-10=73; April 3rd—Mrs J.C. Hurden—34-10=74. Bronze Division—March 6th—Mrs A.D. Duffy 104-26=68; March 20th—Mrs J.D. Clague—94-23=71; April 3rd—Mrs H.H. Todd—90-34=62.

EASTER STABLEFORD
Mrs J. Wat was the winner of this competition with a score of 38 points, and Mrs G.W. Stubb the runner-up with 35 points. In this competition which was played on the New Course, Mrs Wat's best card was a gross 75.

HANDICAP REDUCTIONS
Mrs J.F. Shoemaker 24 to 23, Mrs L.G. King 35 to 30, Mrs T. Tada 34 to 33, Mrs W. Stoker 25 to 24, Mrs G.L. Marshall 36 to 30, Mrs J. Wat 31 to 17, Mrs E.M. Wisely 31 to 18, Mrs A.D. Duffy 36 to 31, Mrs K.H. Black 23 to 19, Mrs C.W. Grange 30 to 32, Mrs W. Segue 36 to 30, Mrs J.D. Clague 24 to 19, Mrs G.W. Stubb 19 to 17, Mrs L.H. Robinson 10 to 8, Mrs D.K. Hanning 20 to 23, Mrs R. Sleg 24 to 20, Mrs E.L. Land 34 to 33, Mrs L.F. Stokes 31 to 30, Mrs R. Main 31 to 30, Mrs R. McAdam 30 to 32, Mrs H.H. Todd 34 to 29, Mrs A.W.P. Cox 36 to 35.

HANDICAPS ACQUIRED
Mrs R.Y. Frost 30, Mrs G.E. Marden 30, Mrs W.H. Stratton 19, Mrs J.W. Brown 36, Mrs J.M. Lilley 36, Mrs J.E. Noronha 36, Miss D. Handyside 30.

DEEP WATER BAY
The Deep Water Bay Season starts on Tuesday, 24th April, with a Flag competition.

U.S. To Launch A 'Baseball In Europe' Campaign

Paris, Apr. 10.
America is to launch a baseball in Europe campaign with the "Milwaukee Braves" playing the Brooklyn "Dodgers" as a curtain raiser in Paris this autumn. Luis Perini, manager of the "Milwaukee Braves" told newsmen here today.

Perini declared at his press conference that 80 per cent of the American baseball fans were of European parents. This gave him good hopes that the ball game would catch on in the old continent as it had done in South America and in Japan.

France, who already has a number of clubs playing baseball, belongs to the European Federation, grouping Spain, Belgium, Germany, Holland, Italy and Portugal. Spain won the 1955 European Championship at Barcelona.—France Press.

COALLESS DRAW
London, Apr. 10.
Luton, the English First Division League soccer team, and Rampa Club from Montevideo contested a goalless draw at Luton tonight.—China Mail Special.

Five Countries File Entries For The Uber Cup

Philadelphia, Apr. 9.
Five countries have filed entries for the newly-formed Uber Cup, world badminton competition for women, a series of elimination matches comparable to the men's Thomas Cup won last year by Malaysia. It was announced today.

Jack Van Praag, Pasadena, California, Secretary of the American Badminton Association, said the U.S., Canada, England, Denmark and Sweden have signed up for competition to start early in 1957 with the final round to be played in England in March, 1957.

India and Malaysia also are expected to file entries, Van Praag said. The series will consist of three zones of competition, the American, the European and the Asiatic with each country playing three singles and four doubles against an opponent drawn in a tournament. Van Praag said.—United Press.

Kowloon-Manila Schools Soccer

The following schools are each requested to send their four best players to participate in an inter-school soccer trial game at King's Park this afternoon in preparation for the forthcoming match between Kowloon Schools and a team of schoolboys from Manila: K.G.V. Foot Sun, Wah Yan (Kowloon), Queen Elizabeth School, La Salle College and S.F.K. College. Kick off will be at 4 p.m. The Manila team is expected in the Colony later this month.

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Nominate YOUR Hongkong Footballer Of The Year

Members of the public are invited to nominate Hongkong's Footballer of the Year for the current season.

It is a popularity poll organised by the China Mail, and nomination coupons will be accepted until the closing date to be announced later.

The two qualifications for nomination are:

- (1) Footballing prowess
- (2) Sportsmanship on the field of play

Nominations should be addressed to the Editor, China Mail, Wyndham Street.

To the Editor, China Mail.

My nomination for Hongkong's Footballer of the Year, taking into regard his playing ability and his sportsmanship on the field of play is

of the Club.

(Signed)

THE GAMBOLES

ON QUELL NEVER GET MAD!

WHY NOT?

BEING INTELLIGENT, I CAN SPEAK EDUCATED—AN EXCELLENT COOK!

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by Barry Appleby

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Sports Diary

TODAY
 1st Division: Army v Club (Club)
 2nd Division: RAMC v Gymnastics
 3rd Division: W. v W. (W. v W.)
 4th Division: W. v W. (W. v W.)
 Exhibition game: All European v
 U.S. Shanghai-La at King's Park, 6
 p.m.

TOMORROW
 Meeting: Hongkong Badminton Association
 Executive Committee Meeting, 5.30
 p.m.

India Wants
Brotherhood
In The ICC

New Delhi, Apr. 10.
 The Indian Cricket Board
 of Control will propose at
 the Imperial Cricket Con-
 ference in London on July
 19 that India, Pakistan and
 the West Indies be given
 equal status with other com-
 monwealth countries.

The Board's resolution says
 that as cricket is essentially a
 Commonwealth game, and since
 all cricketing nations are
 governed by the Imperial
 Cricket Conference, the in-
 equality of status for India,
 Pakistan and the West Indies,
 which have one vote each, as
 against two votes each allotted
 to England, Australia, South
 Africa and New Zealand goes
 against the principle of equality
 and brotherhood.

ON A PAR
 The resolution also states
 that the Indian Board of Control
 feels that all affiliated countries
 of the Imperial Conference should
 be on a par with each other,
 having the same status and
 uniform representation.

The Board's President, Mr.
 Mahabub Khan, said that the
 resolution is a step towards
 the resolution of the Imperial
 Cricket Conference.

A resolution that the name of
 the conference be changed from
 "Imperial" to "Commonwealth"
 has been included in this year's
 agenda.

A similar proposal by the
 Maharajah last year was
 not taken up on the ground of
 insufficient notice. China Mail
 Special.

West Indies
All Out
For 392

Port of Spain, Apr. 10.
 The West Indies XI carried
 their overnight score of
 325 for seven to 392 all
 out here today when the
 unofficial Test against E. W.
 Swanton's team entered on
 the fourth of its five days.

This gave them a lead of 115.
 Swanton's XI were all out for
 277—but by tea time today 106
 of the arrears had been hit off
 for the loss of three wickets.

C. B. Williams and S.
 Oliver, the overnight not out
 batsmen, added 67 runs this
 morning to leave the score-
 board showing 392 for seven
 but then Frank Tyson folded up
 the innings by taking the last
 two wickets after Oakman had
 broken the eighth wicket stand,
 all three falling at the same
 total.

PROFITABLE STAND
 Swanton's team fell quickly,
 but then Colin Cowdrey and
 Tom Graveney became asso-
 ciated in a profitable stand
 which was unbroken at tea.

Cowdrey was particularly
 severe on Ramadhin and once
 drove him clean over the stand
 for six. In his first 30 runs
 Cowdrey hit one six and five
 fours.

THE SCOREBOARD
 Swanton's XI—Second Innings
 M. Stewart, lbw B. Sopers 14
 O. Oakman, run out 18
 G. H. Doggart, c. Ramadhin 12
 b. Ramadhin 12
 C. Cowdrey, not out 38
 T. Graveney, not out 24
 Extras 0

Total (three wickets at tea.) 106
 —Reuter.

HOME SOCCER
RESULTS

London, Apr. 11.
 Results of last night's As-
 sociation Football matches
 were:
 League Division II
 Hull City 1 Doncaster 1
 Scottish Division "A"
 Collic 1 Aberdeen 1
 —Reuter.

SPORTS ROUND-UP

Sammy McCarthy May
Fight At Hollywood
Legion Stadium

Sammy McCarthy, former British Featherweight
 Champion and now a lightweight, is sought after in
 Hollywood, but as a boxer and not a film star.
 McCarthy's manager, Jarvis Astaire, now in
 California, cabled London last week that he had had an
 offer for McCarthy to fight Cisco Andrade at Hollywood
 Legion Stadium. He is considering the offer.

Ben Hogan, British Open Golf
 Champion in 1953, has accepted
 an invitation to represent
 America in the Canada Cup
 golf matches at Wentworth,
 Surrey on June 20 and 21. But
 Hogan will not commit himself
 about playing in the Open from
 July 2-8.

James Delaney, the former
 Scotland and Manchester United
 out-cright, is the only man
 who holds English, Scottish and
 Irish FA Cup winners' medals,
 gained with Manchester United,
 Glasgow Celtic and Derby City.
 Now, as player-manager of
 League of Ireland club Cork City,
 he is on the way to receiving
 his fourth medal. Cork have
 reached the semi-final of the
 League Cup.

ONE-DAY MATCH
 Len Hutton will play against
 the Australians this summer—
 in a one-day match that opens
 their tour for the Duke of Nor-
 folk's team. Hutton will be
 joined by David Sheppard, the
 former England and Sussex
 captain who gave up cricket to
 become a minister, Alec Bedser,
 Colin Cowdrey and former Eng-
 land bowler Doug Wright.

Henry Cooper, the London
 Heavyweight, has offered any
 Heavyweight in Britain in a
 challenge for £1,000-a-side.
 Says his manager, Jim Wicks:
 "It's almost impossible to get a
 British Heavyweight to fight
 Cooper, so I must try to tempt
 them with a big-money chal-
 lenge."

Manchester City, who play
 Birmingham City in the FA Cup
 Final at Wembley on May 5,
 have ordered a new set of
 uniforms and white striped shirts
 for the occasion. Both sides had
 to make a change, and maroon
 is normally Manchester's alter-
 native colour.
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HOME RUGGER
RESULTS

London, Apr. 11.
 Results of last night's Rugby
 games were:
 Rugby Union
 Bedford 3, Penarth 11.
 St Ives 6, Cardiff 27.
 Rugby League
 Doncaster 5, Huddersfield 2.
 Keighley 9, Wakefield 5.
 —Reuter.

ARMY SOCCER

The final of the Minor Units
 Knock-out Soccer Competition
 will take place this afternoon at
 the Police ground, Boundary
 Street, kick-off at 3 p.m. The
 units taking part are Command
 Workshops, REME, and 11 In-
 fantry Workshops, REME.
 At the conclusion of the match
 the trophy will be presented by
 Brigadier L. H. Gordon, Direc-
 tor of Mechanical Engineers.

RIVAL
MATCHContract Bridge
Pairs Tourney
Starts April 19

A new kind of Pairs Tourna-
 ment will be held for the first
 time in Hongkong on Thursday,
 April 19, when the Hongkong
 Contract Bridge Association
 conducts a Combination Pairs
 Tournament at the Jewish Re-
 creation Club.

Unlike the Open Pair events
 in previous years, this tourna-
 ment provides the prize win-
 ners in earlier Colony cham-
 pionships will not be permitted
 to partner one another.

Contestants may enter either
 in pairs or as individuals. On
 the night of the tournament, a
 draw will be made to pair off
 the individual entries.

Prior to the tournament, there
 will be a reception at 5.30 p.m.
 in honour of the victorious
 Interport Team of Four which
 won the recent match with
 Manila. The tournament will
 start at 6.30 p.m.

Entries, together with the en-
 try fee of \$10 per person
 (which includes tea), should be
 sent to the Hon. Treasurer, Mr.
 E. E. Hui, 303 Union Building,
 Tel. 30991.

International
Tennis First
Round Results

Naples, Apr. 10.
 In the first round of the In-
 ternational Tennis tournament
 here today:
 Althea Gibson (US) beat
 Marianna Pisanli (Italy) 6-1,
 6-0. Sonia Mitrovic (US) beat
 Perlin Sheikh (Pakistan) 6-3,
 6-6, 6-3. Daphne Seckey (Aus-
 tralia) beat Marinella Darmanin
 (Italy) 6-2, 6-2. Thelma Long
 (Australia) beat Lydia Comola
 (Italy) 6-0, 6-0.

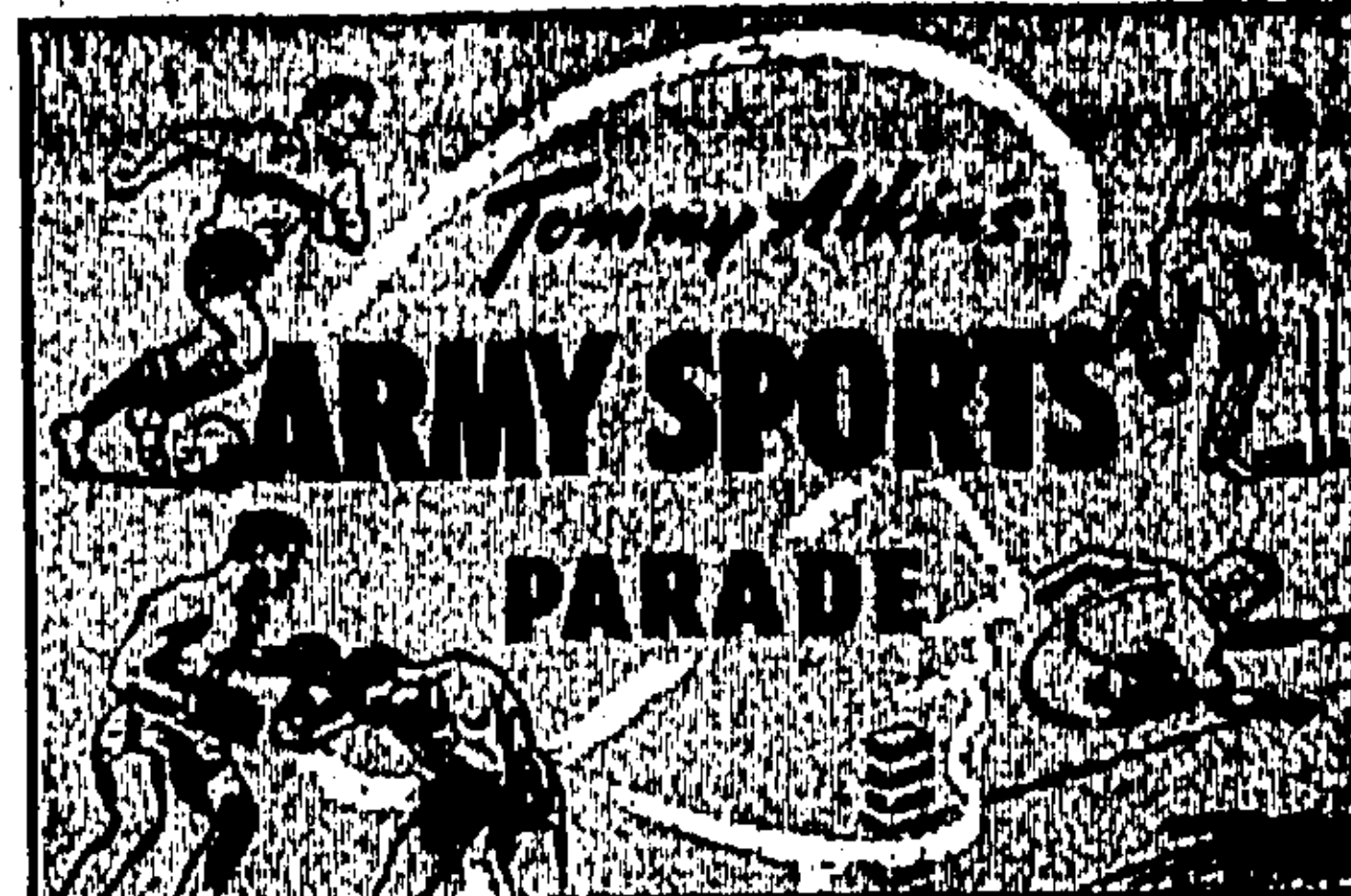
In the Men's Singles Bob
 Perry (US) beat Jack Arkinstall
 (Australia) by default and Luis
 Alaya (Chile) beat Mohammed
 Nasseem (Pakistan) 6-2, 6-0.
 —United Press.

HKFC TEAM

The following players have
 been selected to represent the
 Hongkong Football Club in their
 First Division soccer game
 against Army today at 6 p.m.:
 Jones; Armstrong, Bishop;
 Douglas, Johnson, Pickering;
 Tomlinson, Manns, Plank,
 Gardner, Dunlop. Reserves:
 Gayne, McCall, Bachman and
 W. Miller.

Inter-School Match

In the Inter-school football
 semi-final played at King's
 Park yesterday, the St Francis
 Xavier School beat La Salle
 College by 9-5.
 SFX will now meet King
 George School in the final to-
 morrow at 5 p.m.



In spite of the many outstanding achievements in
 the sports sphere this week, few will quibble at our
 decision to invite the husky Tug-of-War team from 33
 General Hospital to fill the Spot of Honour at the Top of
 the Sports Parade.

The Challenge Match between the Medicals and the
 men from 27 HAA Regt., Royal Artillery was one of the
 highlights of the Land Forces Individual Athletic
 Championships at Boundary Street on Saturday.

The Gunners, after losing the
 first pull, put up a tremendous
 struggle in an effort to save the
 second leg. First one team and
 then the other held the advan-
 tage and when the Royal
 Artillery boys eventually
 managed to pull the hackler-
 chief to within inches of their
 line, it looked very much as
 though a third and final pull
 would be necessary to decide
 the winners.

However, at the crucial
 moment Coach Tullins ordered
 his RAMC team to hold fast and
 the men responded with what
 must surely have been a last
 despairing effort but it proved
 too much for the opposition.

The right second of the Medicals
 started to pull and although a
 desperate stand held them up
 within a foot of the line, they
 had the final satisfaction of
 seeing Colonel Leslie's hand
 shoot up indicating a meritorious
 victory by two straight pulls.

MOST COURAGEOUS
 The match was a fine one and
 both teams are to be heartily
 congratulated on some of the
 most courageous pulling we
 have had the pleasure of seeing
 in a long time. This success
 of the Minor Units Champions
 over the holders of the Major
 Unit title should encourage
 similar challenges—not only in
 tug-of-war but in other sports
 —in the years to come.

There is nothing like healthy
 competition to bring out the
 very best in a team... and as
 far as 1956 is concerned it is
 very much a case of... well
 done, 33 General Hospital...

We are now coming to the
 end of the athletic season as
 far as Hongkong is concerned
 but Army sportsmen are being
 given a fine opportunity of
 making a contribution to British
 sports in the 1956
 Olympic Games at Melbourne.

Lord Burghley and Lt Gen-
 eral Sir Frederick Browning,
 the Joint Chairmen of the Brit-
 ish Olympic Appeals Com-
 mittee, have once again sub-
 mitted an appeal to the Army
 and they have done so to many
 other sections of the public, to
 commerce and to industry.

It is not generally known that
 the British Olympics Commit-
 tee has no source of income
 other than that derived from
 the sale of tickets to the com-
 mercial cost of sending the Bri-
 tish team to Australia is £75-
 000—about £550 for each com-
 petitor—it will be realised that
 the Committee needs all the
 help it can get.

An appeal has been made to
 units but it must be stressed
 that no donation is too small
 and if any sportsman feels that
 he would like to make a person-
 al contribution he can send it to
 The Appeals Secretary, British
 Olympic Committee, 16 Conduit
 Street, London, W.1.

An interesting newcomer has
 arrived in the Army football
 sphere in the Colony and, with
 an eye to next season, the AFA
 officials are taking an early op-
 portunity of seeing him in
 action.

Gunner Baird, of 74 LAA
 Regt RA comes from a well
 known Scottish football family,
 and his elder brother is the
 Scottish and Glasgow Rangers
 inside-left. The newcomer
 however, is a Hearts player
 and has already had the fine
 experience of playing before a
 great crowd at Hampden Park
 when he was a member of the
 Kilmory Rangers side which
 took part in the Scottish
 Junior Cup final a couple of
 years ago.

HIS FIRST APPEARANCE
 Baird will make his first
 appearance in Army colours
 this evening when he plays
 against the Club in a First
 Division match at the Club
 Stadium.

The news that the Army in-
 tends to enter a team in the
 Colony Tennis League will give
 satisfaction to those folk who
 have long felt that there was
 enough soldier talent available
 to make this participation
 possible.

By taking this step the Land
 Forces Tennis Committee has
 given a good lead to those
 players who feel they would like
 the chance of playing in com-
 petitive tennis and it is hoped
 that the venture will receive the
 backing and support that it
 deserves.

A trial will be staged on
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SCOTTISH SPORTS REVIEWED

At Last! Praise For
The Selectors

By JAMES ANDERSON

Scotland's soccer selectors have achieved the impossible. Everyone
 agrees with the team they have picked to play England at Hampden on
 April 14.

No surprises, but in come two new boys to make soccer history —
 Aberdeen's crack wing marksman Graham Leggat and the Charlton South African
 John Hewie at left-back.

First-cap Leggat joins club-
 mate Archie Glen to make it the
 first time ever that two Aber-
 deen players have played for
 Scotland against England.

Howie, the son of Scottish
 immigrants, is the first South
 African to get a full cap for
 Scotland.

The selectors discovered him
 when he was playing against
 Scotland! It was in the recent
 Scotland versus South African
 All-star eleven match. A charity
 game in aid of Britain's Olympic
 fund, this game was also a full
 trial for the intended Scottish
 team to play England.

John so bottled up the Scot-
 tish right-wing that the selec-
 tors couldn't help noticing him.

OUT OF POSITION
 Strange thing is that Hewie
 was playing out of position. He
 is normally a wing or centre-
 half. He turned out at left-
 back because there were enough
 half backs but not enough full
 backs.

Graham Leggat earns his
 place on his record throughout
 this season. With 20 goals he
 is the higher scoring winger in
 Scotland.

The decision to play Gordon
 Smith on the left is to be
 applauded. Normally I detect

the practice of playing men out
 of their usual club positions.
 But desperate situations de-
 mand desperate remedies—and
 nobody will deny that Scotland's
 outside left position was
 desperate indeed.

What does Gordon think about
 swapping positions?
 "I take it as a compliment
 that the selectors think I'm good
 enough to play out of position.
 I would rather have been in my
 normal berth, but Bobby Collins
 and I have played together and
 we know each other's style."

Left-half Archie Glen makes
 a part comment on the half-
 line. "Both I and right-half
 Bobby Evans have been playing
 regularly at centre-half for our
 clubs. This should make us
 well prepared for England's dual
 centre-forward plan."

OLYMPIC GAMES
 With the Olympic Games eight
 months away, Britain has lost

two of her brightest hopes, the
 Scottish swimming twins Jack
 and Bert Wardrop. Twenty-
 three years old they have re-
 tired from the sport to concen-
 trate on their studies. Both are
 students at the University of
 Michigan.

Said World Champion Jack
 this week: "The break with
 sport had to come sometime.
 The Olympic Games fall in the
 middle of our school year. I
 want to be a lawyer. I'm not
 prepared to give up my study at
 this stage. It would mean four
 weeks away from college and
 even though we might be back
 before the exams it would mean
 an unholy lot of cramming."

"We have discussed it with
 our people at home and with
 our teachers—we have come to
 the conclusion that our careers
 are more important than
 whether we are good swimmers."

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TABLE TENNIS
GERMANY TO BE
HOST TO NEXT
CHAMPIONSHIPS

Tokyo, Apr. 10.
 A meeting of the International
 Table Tennis World Congress
 announced today that Germany
 will be host to the 25th World
 Championships in 1958.

Stockholm has already been
 selected as the site for the 1957
 championships. A previous meet-
 ing of the congress agreed that
 after 1957, world championships
 would be held every two years.

Two new members, Ecuador
 and Syria, were admitted to the
 Federation today.

North Korea, Formosa and
 Malta were asked to supply de-
 tailed information as a formal
 preliminary prior to their ad-
 mittance to the Federation.
 —Reuter.

would just tell him that when
 the going is toughest and he
 suddenly gets a mysterious but
 helpful little push towards the
 tape... it will almost certainly
 be the surge of good wishes
 from the many friends he has
 made in the Colony....

With the seasonal rise in
 temperature the swimming pool
 at Sek Kong has already proved
 to be a most popular venue for
 troops and families in that
 part of the New Territories.

The pool is once again look-
 ing in fine shape and apart from
 the pleasure it provides it also
 makes an important contribution
 to general fitness.

The Land Forces Individual
 Athletic Championships at
 Boundary Street on Saturday
 provided some excellent com-
 petition, which produced one
 new Colony record, a new Land
 Forces record, and saw two
 existing records equalled.

The meeting was well
 organised and as expected Capt
 John Hunter, RAMC was much
 in evidence as the outstanding
 all rounder. With three firsts
 and two seconds he clinched the
 day's top honours but special
 mention must also be made of
 Ctn Williams REME who had
 successes in the 100 and 220
 yards sprints.

It must be a long long time
 since Keith Burch was last in
 anything but a good state of
 distinction in the Sports Parade
 this week. Keith had another
 good day on Saturday, with a
 new Colony record in winning
 the 880 Yards and a clearcut
 victory in the Mile, although in
 this case, the time was slower
 than had been expected.

This was his final appearance
 on the Colony's tracks prior to
 his departure for the United
 Kingdom. With five records
 now standing to his name it can
 be fairly claimed that he has
 left an indelible mark on Hong-
 kong athletics, both in the
 Army and in the civilian com-
 munity.

In saying Goodbye and good
 luck to this fine athlete, we



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